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Barrio de Salamanca
Madrid April 27/80

My dear Mr Fremen

I have not written to you for some time, for I do not like to occupy your attention without some plausible motive.

I am sorry to say that my American friends have left Madrid for Biarritz. You will have seen that Mr Lowell has been appointed American Minister in London. Poor Mrs Lowell has been confined to her bed for nine months, and it seems to me almost impossible for her to bear the journey to England. Mr and Mrs Field intend passing the summer months in some pleasant village near London

Mr Field will probably pay you a visit for me, and give you some idea of your Anglo Spanish friends.

Before leaving Madrid Mr Field sent me £14 for the Memorial Fund.

I have been told that the Weekly Times is a good and useful paper, and only costs 10 francs a year. While you have the goodness to send me a number, that I may see if the type suits my sight at candle light, which is the time I dedicate to reading, as I am much occupied during the day.

If my situation had allowed me to wait until the entrance of Mr Gladstone, who is a great admirer of my poor brother, I should perhaps have attained a pension. However, as it is impossible to foresee events, I am thankful to Heaven, and yourself, for what I have attained. I can't tell you what a great relief it has been to me

to assist in the maintenance and
education of my orphan grandchildren.

Trusting that yourself and family
are in good health., and with kindest
regards from us all

Believe me to remain

Very sincerely yours

T. Keats de Sloanes

Can you give me any news of Margaret
Browne, is she still in good health?

H. Buxton Forman Esqre

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My dear Mr Fawcett

Since my last letter to you I have seen to my great surprise, the appointment of Sir Charles Dilke as Under Secretary of State. You may remember that when we first spoke of the pension, he expressed his great willingness to serve me, if he had had sufficient influence. Now I should think that difficulty is removed, and I feel inclined to appeal to his friendship; but am unwilling to write to him, without first consulting with you.

Perhaps after all that has been done for me, I ought not to trouble any one further on my affairs.

If you are of this opinion,